

Keon Parade, Reservoir, June 2024

All aboard for Keon Park



The boom gates are gone, trains are running and the vibrant new Keon Park Station will open on **Friday 21 June**, a year ahead of schedule.

Throughout June, a construction blitz is taking place with crews working around the clock to get the Keon Park Station ready for passengers.

The new elevated station will open with passengers accessing the platforms via stairs and a lift while works continue on the second lift and in the station precinct.

The vibrant new station will feature a landscaped forecourt, shelter and lighting, CCTV, a secure Parkiteer bicycle storage and walking and cycling paths through the precinct.

A new signalised pedestrian crossing across High Street at the intersection of Hughes Parade, will provide direct, safer access to the station.

Wide, new paths will connect Johnson Street to the station precinct and through to High Street, providing the community with improved connections between residential and retail areas and transport services.

The new Keon Park Station will open to passengers on Friday 21 June.

Project benefits



Keon Parade's level crossing gone for good eliminating more than 40 minutes of boom gates down time in the morning peak



New modern Keon Park Station



Saving travel time for 18,000 vehicles each weekday

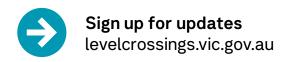


Improved safety for drivers, pedestrians and bike riders



Increased accessibility to public transport

Above: Trains travelling over the boom gate free Keon Parade







Greening Keon Park Station

The glossy green facade and green piers aren't the only thing turning green at Keon Park Station.

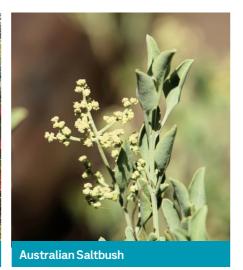
The expansive landscaped forecourt on Keon Parade and along High Street will provide a green gateway to the station. Landscape architects have carefully selected a variety of trees and plants to bring colour to the revitalised station precinct and enhance biodiversity.

Across this winter and spring we'll plant over 44,500 shrubs and grasses and 200 trees in the area, including:

- Coral Gums
- Dwarf Lemon Scented Gums
- Lilly Pilly
- Weeping Bottlebrush
- Flax Lilies
- Native Fuschia 'Ivory Bells'
- Mat-rush 'Tanika'
- Australian Saltbush







When Keon Park Station opens on Friday 21 June, the platforms will be accessible via the northern lift and stairs near Keon Parade.

Until August, works will continue around the station precinct, including on the High Street and Keon Parade car parks and installation of the additional lift and stairs. While these works continue, temporary changes to station access will be in place. In the expansive forecourt, landscaping will continue until spring.

Features of your new station precinct



Two station entries for convenient access



Lifts and stairs making it more accessible for everyone to catch the train



High Street and Keon Parade

Two car parks with easy access off



A new direct connection, from High Street to the station precinct and Johnson Street shops



Pick-up and drop-off zone



New Parkiteer secure bike storage



Elevated island platform with seating and standing areas protected from weather



CCTV and more lighting to create a safer station precinct



New signalised pedestrian crossing at the intersection of Hughes Parade and High Street



Improved connections for bus passengers with Route 902 bus stops on Keon Parade and new Route 555 bus stop on Hughes Parade closer to the station



To prioritise safety, drivers will only be able to turn left onto Keon Parade from Johnson Street



New walking and cycling paths



Tasty treats on Keon Parade

Al Amera Lebanese Bakery in Reservoir serves top-notch Middle Eastern dishes.

Owned by the Jumaa family from Syria, who fled to Australia five years ago, the bakery is a local favourite.

Hanan, Fayez, Sari, Jema, Sadi Fadi and his wife Soha work together to create authentic dishes that include Zaatar pizzas, Sujuk, and Shanklish, which are popular with customers. Jema is often seen at the counter and proudly notes that customers come from far and wide.

Taking over the business three years ago, the family has recently renovated the bakery, adding a modern touch.

Meals are prepared daily, and prices range from \$3.50 to \$15 - with freshly brewed coffee and delivery via Uber Eats also available.

A short walk from the new Keon Park Station, the bakery is located at 147 Keon Parade, Reservoir, and is open seven days a week from 6:30am to 3pm.

Check out their Instagram @bakeryalamera and head on in to give it a try!





Project timeline



2021

- Site investigations
- Technical assessments



2022

- Community engagement
- Further engineering investigations
- Project designs released
- Early works



2023

Construction



Early 2024

- Construction continues
- City-bound rail bridge open



May 2024

- Mernda-bound rail bridge open
- Boom gates gone for good



June 2024

New Keon Park Station open



Mid 2024

 Station precinct and landscaping works continue



Late 2024

- Station precinct and landscaping works complete
- * Timeline subject to change.

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